

# The 4-H Times



Marshall-Putnam

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**Clothing Judging**  
is Sunday June 26  
beginning at 4pm.  
Please make sure  
you are enrolled in  
FairEntry prior to  
calling office to  
schedule your  
judging time.

Save the Date  
M-P Federation

Blood Drive

June 30, 2022

M-P Farm Bureau

## Congratulation to Our 2022 Seniors

**Colton Blunier— Steuben Rangers**

**Catherine Rose (Katie) Bond—Steuben Rangers**

**Eli Postula— PC Progressors**

**Christina Wier— Steuben Rangers**

**Isaac Wujek— PC Progressors**

**FairEntry opens May 18**  
**<https://faireentry.com/>**  
**FairEntry Closes June 20**  
**Please enroll**  
**Early!**

## Superintendents needed

Home and Family and Rabbits.

Please contact Anne at 309-364-2356 for more information.

**Marshall-Putnam  
2022  
4-H Show  
July 18 - 21  
State Fair  
Saturday August 13**

**You must attend club  
meetings in order to  
earn premiums at the  
4-H Show**

## Federation News

Federation's next meeting is Sunday June 12, 2022 at 4:30. The meeting will be held at the Extension office in Henry. Final plans for their fair activities will be the focus. The Federation members will be wearing matching t-shirts each day of the 4-H show. This year they will be judging the Cloverbuds on Tuesday with and activity to follow judging.

## YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA)

The YQCA is a livestock quality assurance program.. It also replaces the Quality Assurance & Ethics (QAEC) program for youth in the following species; **dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, sheep, and goats**. All 4-H exhibitors of these animals will be required to certify in the YQCA program yearly. Youth must either attend a face to face class or certify on-line via the website <https://yqcaprogram.org/>

The YQCA program is for youth ages 8-21. The online version is broken into age divisions as follows: juniors 8-11, intermediate 12-14, senior 15-18, and young adults 19-21. This certification is annual with test out options of 1-3 years.

**Please send a copy of your certificate if you did not attend an in person training in Bureau, LaSalle, Marshall-Putnam or IVCC. Proof of completion is required to show your animal at the 4-H Show.**



The Summer Sizzle Shoot is back and will be held on June 4 at the Chillicothe Sportsman's Club. This competition is open to all current shooting sports members. Registration forms are on our website:

<https://extension.illinois.edu/blmp/4-h-marshall-putnam-counties>

### **2022 4-H State Shoots – SAVE THESE DATES (but keep practicing now!)**

4-H State Archery Shoot- Saturday, Sept. 17, 2022 at Pekin Archers, Pekin, Illinois

4-H State Shotgun Shoot- Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022 at Brittany Shooting Park, Bunker Hill, Illinois

4-H State Rifle Shoot- Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022 at Central Illinois Precision Shooters (CIPS), Bloomington, Illinois

4-H State Pistol Shoot- Sunday, Oct. 9, 2022 at CIPS, Bloomington, Illinois

# Federation Scholarships Available

[https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/mpfederation\\_education\\_award\\_21.pdf](https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/mpfederation_education_award_21.pdf)

## SPARK SHEETS

Illinois 4-H Spark Sheets are available for all statewide 4-H projects. These sheets are designed as a tool for parents, mentors or club leaders who are helping a 4-H member explore a project of interest. Spark Sheets, and related project resources, are continuously updated and available on the Illinois 4-H website. Each sheet contains information to help plan project exploration, spark ideas, and ignite possibilities. Get more information including an overview of how to use spark sheets here:

[Spark Sheets Information Page](#)

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/project-spark-sheets> Projects help 4-H members find and nurture their *spark*. When you try something for the first time, you may be inspired to keep learning as much as possible about it. You might even want a career related to that new interest. 4-H projects often spark young people to follow their passions, interests, and talents on a new path to career development, enjoyment, and belonging. Ready for your spark? Learn more about 4-H projects you can explore. We have more than 75 sparks just waiting for you to light!

## Dog Training

Training is required if you are planning to show your dog in Obedience, Pre-novice, Novice, Graduate novice, Pre-open, Open and Graduate open, at this year's 4-H show. We are still finalizing the dates for this training.



All members enrolled in the Dog project will be notified of dates.

## Horse Clinic

M-P Horse Committee is planning a Horse Clinic this spring at the M-P Fairgrounds.

Members enrolled in the Horse project will be notified when the dates are set.



## QUALITY ASSURANCE & ETHICS (QA&E):

The Quality Assurance and Ethics training is required for all youth that enroll in horses, [rabbits](#), [poultry](#), dogs, and cats. Members must take the training whether they own a live animal or not. It is advised that they complete this one time as soon as they are enrolled in the project area. Counties will monitor completion of this. Failure to complete QA&E will result in the member's animal science project enrollment being cancelled and they will be ineligible to exhibit at county fairs. The website is open year round @ <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/gaec/>

NOTE: Youth must be logged on to a computer for this program, either a desktop or laptop; not an iPad or iPhone. The program cannot capture the information for county staff to see when it is completed using iPads, iPhones or cell phones.

## News from the State Office



The University of Illinois College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences will host ACES Family Academies on July 14-15, 2022. ACES Family Academies is a two-day learning experience for alumni to bring youth ages 8-13 to stay on campus, eat in the residence halls, and participate in interactive classes, all while learning about ACES majors, programs, and research. Cost is \$125. Registration deadline is June 3, 2022. [Full schedule and educational session information is available online.](#)



### **State 4-H Fishing Tournaments Ready to Go!**

Easy to enter, easy to win! Learn rules and how to enter here:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/4-h-hooks-us-together-fishing-tournament>

Open to all current year 4-H members, but new rod & reel prizes **only** for 4-H members registered in the 4-H Sport fishing project for the 2021-2022 year. Entries just require a phone, tape measure and then upload information to: <https://go.illinois.edu/fish4H>

May – Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament

June – Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament



### **Volunteers in action!**

We'd love for you to share photos of your volunteers in action for use in social media and the CloverSeed magazine! Please submit any photos through this JotForm: <https://form.jotform.com/221324595403047>

### **Announcing the State 4-H Food Advocate of the Month Opportunity**

Food insecurity touches every community in Illinois, and our 4-H members have been rising to the occasion to ensure that access to good food is a reality for all. Our Food Advocate of the Month recognition is the perfect opportunity to give highlight a young leader in your area who is making a positive impact on food security, food access, and food justice issues where they live.

Nominations can be made at the following link: <https://go.illinois.edu/4HFoodAdvocateoftheMonth>

Should your nominee be selected, they will receive a plaque recognizing their achievement as well as a feature on our Illinois 4-H social media to help boost the reach of their work. They will also receive free registration for our annual Food Action Summit event and be considered for other state and national leadership development opportunities.

Thank you for helping us to recognize the many amazing young people in Illinois who are working hard every day to make food access for all a reality.

Please direct any inquiries to Mark Becker, Illinois 4-H Food Systems Specialist: [mbecker@illinois.edu](mailto:mbecker@illinois.edu)



### **Host families needed for the States 4-H International Exchange program**

Host a youth from Japan or South Korea this summer, through States' 4-H International! Expand your family's cultural understanding, learn about new foods and customs, and possibly learn a new language, all while sharing your own. Your children will build lifelong friendships and will gain new perspectives on their own country, too! Families are needed for 3 weeks, July 23 through August 18 (tentative dates). Applications are accepted until all placements are made. There is no cost for this program.

Students are matched with a host sibling by age, gender, and interests. Families hosting, must have a child between the ages of 12-18.

*Host family selection is dependent on completion of an application and screening process, as well as student availability and personality compatibility.*

Hosts without children may host an adult chaperone.

For more information or to apply, visit: <http://www.states4hexchange.org>.

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# Marshall-Putnam 4-H Ambassador Application

The 4-H Ambassadors are a team of high school or college age young men and women who work together to complete the basic responsibilities listed below. Ambassadors will serve a 2-year term with the possibility of a second 2-year term.

The Application process includes a 4-H resume that is due by May 31, 2022 and an interview with a panel of judges on Wednesday, June 8, 2022. The interviews will take place in the evening and times will be assigned the week before.

If you have any questions about the application process, contact the M-P Extension office.

## Basic Responsibilities

1. Be a good role model to other 4-H'ers
2. Hand out trophies and ribbons during the 4-H Show
3. To make the public aware of 4-H and what it represents (example attend local Rotary or Chamber meetings to share your 4-H experience)
4. To welcome 4-H Ambassadors the following year at the 4-H Show
5. Promote 4-H during National 4-H Week
6. Attend major 4-H events, such as Achievement Night, Project Day, Conservation Day, as well as town events, such as summer parades, pancake breakfasts, Rotary meetings, etc.
7. Ambassadors work together on a 4-H topic and make presentations related to that topic (for example: recruitment, enrollment, public speaking, teambuilding, judging contests, activities at State & National levels)
8. Attend a club meeting outside of their own club to promote Ambassador
9. Have a positive attitude.

## Applications are due to the Extension Office by May 31, 2022.

1. Submit a 4-H Resume that includes the following:
  - Contact information, including your age
  - 4-H Club(s) information
  - 4-H Project information
  - 4-H Awards and Recognition
  - 4-H Leadership roles
  - Other activity information (outside of 4-H)
  - Include dates of above information
2. Include the following questions on a separate sheet of paper, your answers are expected to be 5 or more sentences.
  - Share a story or event that gives an example of how 4-H has made an impact on or change in your life.
  - Describe one of your long-term goals.
  - Describe one of the best opportunities you have had because of your involvement in 4-H.
  - Write a description of one of your volunteer opportunities.
  - What would you like to achieve as a Marshall-Putnam Ambassador?
  - What are some of your ideas to promote Marshall-Putnam 4-H?
  - What are your ideas to educate the public about 4-H?

Your 4-H Resume should be the same format as a professional job resume. For sample resumes, see websites such as [monster.com](http://monster.com), [careerbuilder.com](http://careerbuilder.com), and [hotjobs.com](http://hotjobs.com). If you do not have internet access, contact the Extension Office for printed samples or help writing your 4-H resume.

Resumes are limited to three pages plus a cover letter.



**MONDAY JUNE 6, 2022**

**4-H FAMILY NIGHT!**

**GAMETIME 7:05 PM  
VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PARK  
2600 PLANK ROAD  
PERU, IL 61354**

**SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR DETAILS!**



# 4-H FAMILY NIGHT!

## PLEASE JOIN US!

### *Let's hit a homerun with 4-H!*

We are looking for 4-H youth and clubs to participate in the activities listed below. Please contact your county's coordinator if you would like to nominate someone or have your club participate!

- Throw out the first pitch
  - Participate in the pregame parade
  - Sing/ Play the National Anthem
  - Present the flags
  - Reserve a display booth for your club
- (No fundraising is allowed at this event.  
Please use this opportunity to display projects and promote 4-H.)

*We would love to see every county and club at the ballpark!*

#### **General Information:**

- Free admission & parking
- Concession stand
- Bleacher seating (or bring your own chair)
- Kids run the bases post-game
- Park nearby for young children
- 4-H families arrive at 6:00 for pregame participation

Visit our local Extension website or the Pistol Shrimp website to learn more.

[EXTENSION.ILLINOIS.EDU/BLMP](http://EXTENSION.ILLINOIS.EDU/BLMP)

**JUNE 6**

[PISTOLSHRIMPBASEBALL.COM](http://PISTOLSHRIMPBASEBALL.COM)



**Office Hours**

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8am-4:30pm**

**Tuesday, Thursday**

**Subject to staff availability**

**Closed noon to 1pm daily**

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